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The old-fashioned "spelling bee" is becoming popular again in South Florida communities.

Georgia declined to make it a felony for a woman to ride-a-straddle. Thus another legislative hobby goes to the junk heap.

The Polk County Record says that Dr. F. M. Wilson of that city sent to its office a collar that was eight and a half feet high.

An Atlanta mule recently kicked a trolley car off the track. It may become necessary to match the mule against the obstreperous automobile.

Capt. Chase of Florida is an inventor whose genius knows no limit. Some years ago he invented a hoopskirt with a bustle attachment, and now he has patented an airship. He is in line to attack perpetual motion. — Savannah News.

There is a general idea abroad that prosperity is fast returning and the people of the entire country are in a hopeful mood. The mere fact that the people are thinking better times will do much to make the times better. Optimism is always better than pessimism.

It has been definitely established that a medium-sized hog can be produced for the market in Florida at about half the actual cost it requires in the great hog belt of the West. That means double the profit to be obtained in Illinois, Iowa and other meat states. — Levy Times-Democrat.

An advertisement is to a merchant very much what sowing seed is to a farmer. It may take a little time for the results to become apparent, but they are sure to come. The wise farmer is not niggardly with his seed, nor the wise merchant with his advertisement.

State Superintendent Holloway did not say a word too much. A man, be he white or black, who would steal or cause to be stolen the questions or answers to be used in state uniform examinations should not be allowed to teach in the public schools of the state. While his letter was perhaps stronger than necessary, it will undoubtedly accomplish the purpose for which it was intended, and if it does, that is all that could be desired.

The rural delivery system of the United States numbers daily 20,000,000 patrons and covers 40,919 routes. Since it was first inaugurated several years ago, it has cost the government \$170,000,000. But the money has been well invested; for in overcoming the isolation of country life and in giving up-to-date postal facilities to the rural districts it has induced thousands of young men to remain on the farms.

With turpentine selling for nearly 60c a gallon; the price of lumber advancing every day and the demand greater than the supply; crosties higher than they have been for years; the farmers of Suwannee county blessed with the biggest corn crop in the history of the county; new green cotton bringing 5 1/2 to 6c on the local market; good crops of sugar cane, sweet potatoes and all kinds of farm products; plenty of fat cattle and hogs to supply the county in neat, it certainly looks like this section of our fair state was just entering upon an era of unprecedented prosperity. Good times now are not based upon fictitious values or paper of uncertain worth upon the market, but upon the products of the county actually produced for which there is a market value. There is no question about it, the city of Live Oak and Suwannee county are today in better shape financially and have better prospects for the future than ever before, and there is no section of the country where the farmers are in better shape and more contented than they are in this county.

LIFE IN FLORIDA.

There are some people who would gladly come to Florida to live could they see their way to support here themselves and families. But the real point in this matter of supporting a family is not so much the income as the outgo, the expenses. If you can live here cheaper by doing away with a considerable part of the expenses you must bear in the north, then one does not need to earn as much as he requires there; and if he does earn as much or even more, as there is no reason why one cannot do so here, then he can save more or have more of life's comforts or even of its luxuries.

There are hundreds, yes thousands, of families in the northwest and west whose breadwinners, the husband and father, just barely earns a support from year to year. The family is compelled to live in a very limited manner because of a very limited income. The house is small, its location not the best, the food is scanty or nearly so, the clothing barely sufficient, the winter clothing hardly that, and the fuel bill seems to be always growing more and more although every effort is made to get along with the least possible until in the long and cold winter months it is an almost constant shiver. To this may be added the doctor's bill.

For such a family, and there are hundreds of them, to come to Florida, would almost be like escaping from a sort of prison life to freedom; from almost penury to a reasonable degree of comfort. What such a family could save in fuel, clothing and doctor's bills would pay the food bill.

But think of the contrast in the two lives! There more than half the year spent in four or five close rooms, either too hot or too cold; the sunshine a rarity, one hour out doors for five or ten in the house; dull, gray, gloomy skies, mud, slush, icy walks, nature covered with the pall of death, trees like skeletons, and oh, well the winter need not draw out the picture more fully.

Here plenty of sunshine, clouds and gloom a rarity, sunshine nature's great remedy for bodily and mental ills, the great cure and the great preventative of disease. It cheers, it stimulates, it inspires. Compare the statistics of the two sections, say here and in New England, and see how many suicides there and how few here.

All know that there is nothing so helpful to health of body and mind as an outdoor life and plenty of sunshine. Here little fuel is needed; here but little clothing and that the lightest kind, is required; and it lasts longer.

Here, with a patch of sweet potatoes, and the little garden twenty or thirty feet square, a large part of the family living can be had, raised in the off hours of the husband, perhaps helped by wife or child, and this garden is not for one or two months, but for twelve months in the year, for something useful can be growing at all times. But what can a man do to earn something? An able-bodied man, willing to work, can have no real difficulty in earning a living anywhere here almost. If he should not get the work he prefers at first he will later on. An effeminate sort of person might have some trouble to get along, but a man would not.

And think of getting away from the almost continual clouds and gray, gloomy skies, from the chill and disastrous east winds, from being cooped up half the year or more in a few small rooms, from the slush, sleet and ice; from big bills for wood and coal, for clothing, for medicine and doctors, from the "eggrims" and that long list of evils which man in the north is heir.

And think of the delicious climate and living out of doors in it, the sweetest, healthiest climate ever breathed by man; of the beautiful orange groves and the fragrant orange blossoms, of the mocking bird, of the stimulating ozone borne on the perpetual breezes that continually sweep over this peninsula from the Atlantic ocean on the one side and from the Gulf of Mexico on the other. Think of our splendid pine forests with their health-giving balmy odor, our magnificent ocean beaches as the finest health resorts in the world, of our innumerable lakes and streams with the most and finest fish in the world; of our forests and field with quail, turkey, deer, bear; think of our children growing up in a country which now is comparatively a new land with all the promise and potentialities of such a new land; good schools, churches, and as the auctioneer would say, "many other things too numerous to mention." When you think of these things, when you fairly consider the pros and cons of this matter, make up your mind to come to Florida—and come.—W. H. J., in Orlando Reporter-Star.

THE "SWELL HEAD."

If there is anything calculated to make a sensible person tired it is to see people, who have no cause whatever for being afflicted with the "swell head," assume an air of superiority and pretend to be very exclusive—of extra importance, so to speak—when the truth of the business is they are no better than any one else, and not as good as some who do not act the fool. But a small gauge person cannot help it and you can always tell them by their conduct. The real big, broad gauge person does not assume that he is superior to nearly everybody else. Some people are so afraid that others will not recognize their importance (?) that they take on an air of condescension in their relations when the truth of the business is the condescension should be on the other side.

Shot by His Sweetheart.

A sensational and one-sided shooting affair occurred in Palatka one night last week when H. Finley Tucker, a prominent real estate and insurance agent, was lured from his home by Miss Ida Bond, a gifted and attractive young lady of that city, and when on a back street, shot five times at Mr. Tucker. One of the five bullets struck Mr. Tucker in the forehead, but glancing only made a flesh wound.

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